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<i>Application Number</i>	09/536,927
<i>Filing Date</i>	3/27/00
<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Hawryluk
<i>Art Unit</i>	2822
<i>Examiner Name</i>	Toniae M. Thomas
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	3521.125

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iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

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- i.  Amendment/Reply      iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
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- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR§1.17(i) required)

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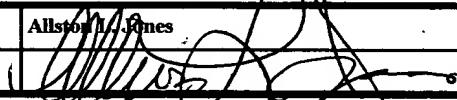
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Serial No.: 09/536,927     )     RCE AMENDMENT DETAILS  
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Filed: March 27, 2000     )  
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For: METHODS FOR ANNEALING A SUBSTRATE AND ARTICLE PRODUCED BY SUCH  
METHODS

In the Claims:

Amend claims 1 and 53 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method comprising the step of annealing at least one region of a semiconductor substrate while minimizing the diffusion of dopant atoms during activation by using [with] a pulsed beam of particles having a time duration less than or equal to  $10^{-4}$  seconds.

53. (Amended) A method comprising the steps of annealing at least one integrated device formed in a semiconductor substrate while minimizing the diffusion of dopant atoms during activation by using [with] a pulsed beam of particles having a duration between  $10^{-10}$  seconds and  $10^{-4}$  seconds.

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**  
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Annette Masiello or Raylene Pettit

Dear Sir:

This Response is being submitted with an RCE Application following the  
Examiner's Final Action dated August 23, 2002, together with a third month time  
extension to extend the time for filing the RCE Application to and including February 24,  
2003, since February 23, 2003, is a Sunday and under Patent Office rules the deadline